GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA

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Forest Clearance
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals related to construction of roads/ highways from various States for forest clearance;
(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh;
(c) the present status of the said proposals and the reasons for pendency, State/ UT-wise, and
(d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite clearance of all the pending proposals?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (d)The Central Government during the last one year and the current year (i.e. w.e.f . 01.01.2015 to 21.04.2016) received 598 proposals related to construction of roads/ highways from various States for forest clearance. State/UT-wise details thereof along with present status of these proposals are annexed.

As per the details annexed, out of the total 598 proposals received during the last one year and the current year, decision on 364 proposals are pending due to non-receipt of essential documents/information sought from the concerned States/ UTs. Similarly 29 proposals are presently being examined by the Central Government for appropriate decision.

To ensure expeditious decision on the pending proposals, such proposals are regularly reviewed by senior officers in the Central Government.
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